

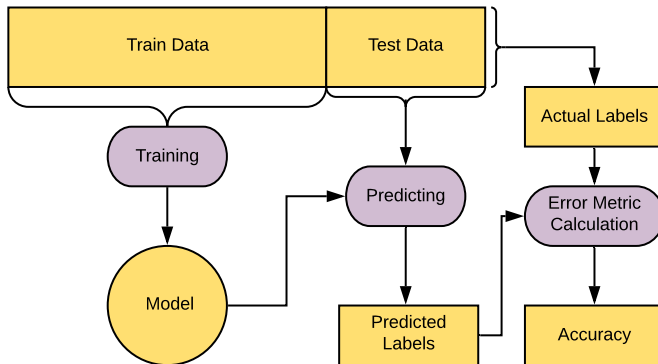
Cross-Validation

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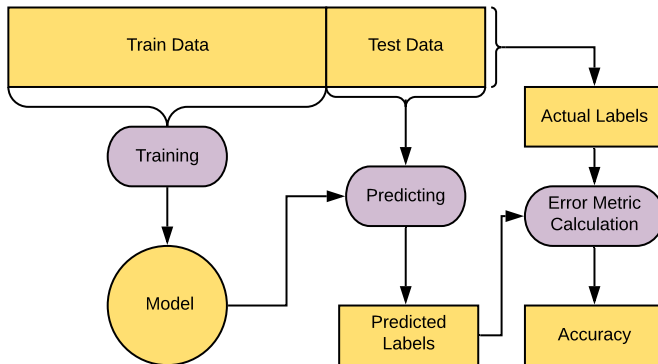
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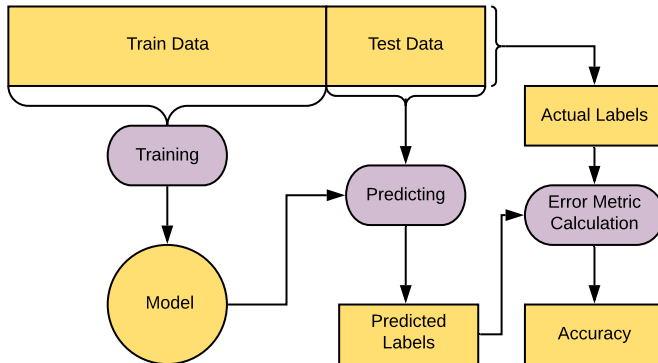
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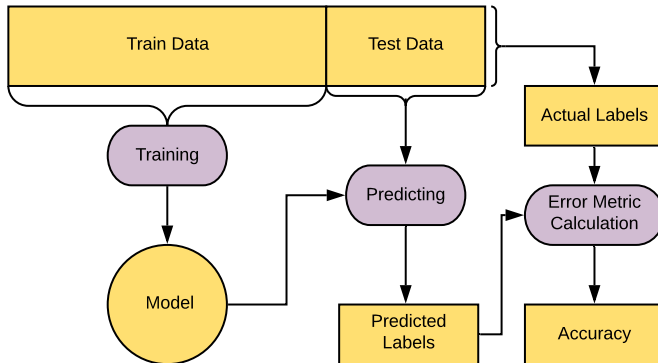


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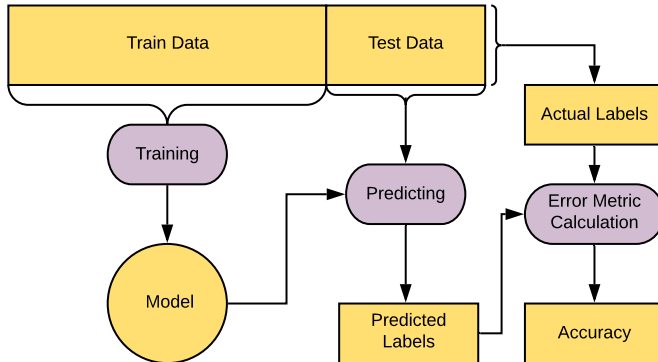
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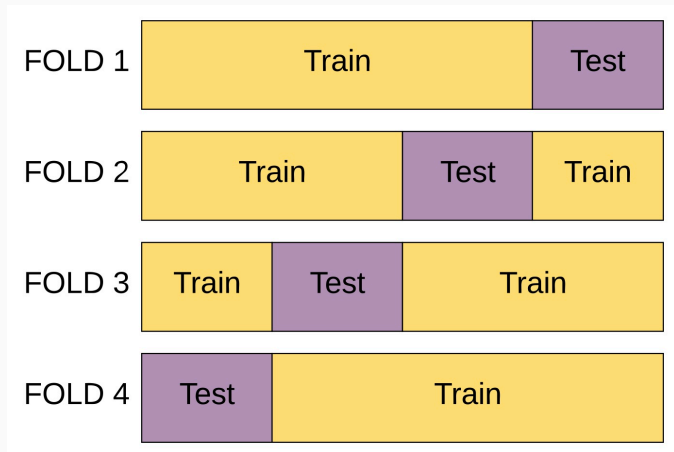
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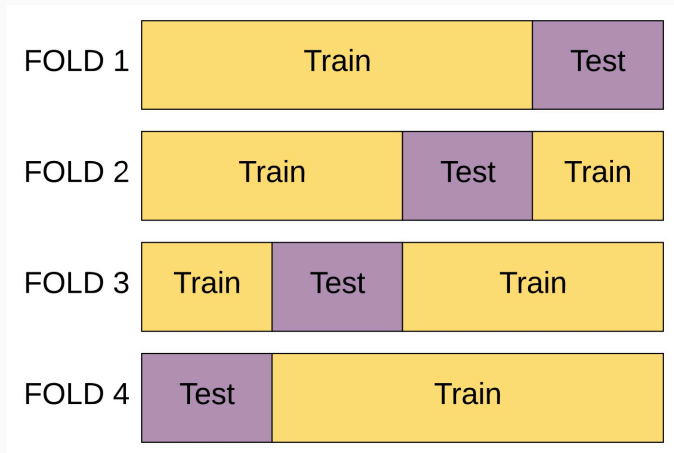
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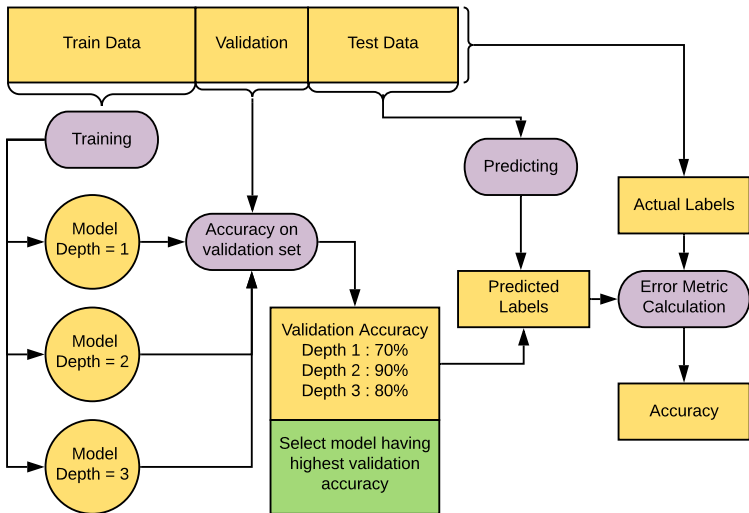


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Each data point is used for testing exactly once.

Optimizing Hyperparameters via the Validation Set

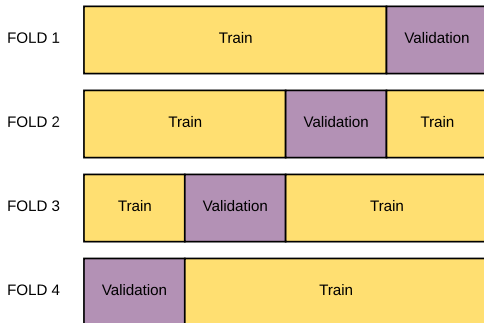


Nested Cross Validation

Divide your training set into k equal parts.

Cyclically use 1 part as “validation set” and the rest for training.

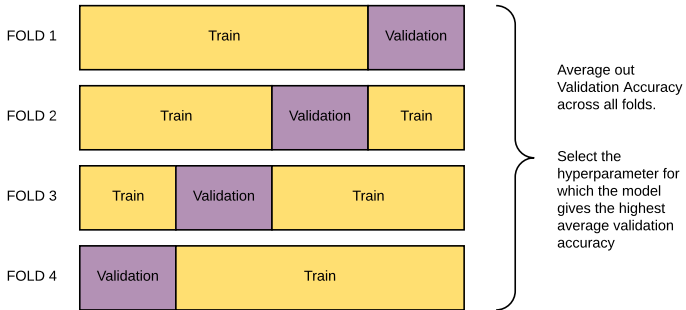
Here $k = 4$



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Average out the validation accuracy across all the folds

Use the model with highest validation accuracy



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